

Pioneers venture

# Alaska

BY JEFF SOUTI

Walter Yates, a 50-year-old Georgetown real estate broker, will pilot a 100-hp Cessna northward in June to spend eight months of isolation in untamed Alaskan wilderness.

There—where his nearest neighbor is 70 miles away—he plans to build a log cabin and survive pioneer's winter in the arctic climate of America's last frontier.

Yates' No. 1 fear isn't frostbite, starvation, or even monstrous beasts—though he's certain to face those threats.

What the adventurer fears most is the strain his lengthy trip to the tundra will put on his family.

Engaged in his venture, he said, is a sense of adventure, a desire to prove he can do it. "I have this trip planned out," he said. "It's something that's been in my mind for a long time." His friends, who are mostly along in his first 100 miles, are not too worried about him. "He's a good guy," said one friend. "He's got a good sense of humor."

But when nature does its best to thwart him, he can muster the strength to go on. "I'm not afraid of Alaska," he said. "I'm not afraid of the cold. I'm not afraid of the animals."

LOVE THE WILDERNESS. Yates

"I'm a pioneer spirit or whatever, but I need to take this trip and make it soon. Alaska is truly America's last frontier, and it's disappearing fast," he said. "This place, he said, is worth any hardships we face."

Yates' goal is to arrive for Alaska in June, and to have a cabin by July.

The cabin 150 miles southeast of Anchorage is to be built by hand.

Yates said, the cabin will be 12 by 16 feet, occupying himself

in constructing it.

Like the pioneers he will portray, he plans indeed to "live off the land."

# Business calls Walter Yates

"I won't bring any food with me," Yates said. "My diet will consist of moose and other animals, preferably dawd sheep."

He will also feast on berries and mushrooms.

AS A BOY, Walter Yates grew up in a log cabin in the hills of Arkansas. It was a life where surviving in the wilderness was as natural as blowing his nose.

A number of my relatives were pioneers," Yates recalled. "They came from Kentucky to Arkansas in a covered wagon. I remember the tales my grandmother and uncle would tell about the wilderness—I was raised in that atmosphere."

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Eagle Booster Club will meet Tuesday, January 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the Georgetown High School Library.

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# County bank deposits post \$10 million gain

While inflation nibbled 12 cents off the dollar in 1974, Williamson County banks posted an 8.82 percent jump in deposits, entering the new year with \$125.645 million in local vaults.

Twelve of the county's 15 banks registered deposit gains during the last calendar year, as deposits climbed \$10.187 million.

During the last 77 days of 1974, Williamson County banks registered a \$5.356 million increase in deposits—a sudden 4.4 percent jump.

For the year, Farmers State Bank of Round Rock claimed the highest leap in deposits, boasting an increase of \$3.419 million.

Citizens State Bank of Georgetown followed with an increase of \$2.601 million during the 12-month period.

The Bank of the Hills, in Cedar Park, posted a \$1.034 million gain, outdistancing its December 1973 total deposits by 47 percent.

First Taylor National Bank registered an increase of \$1.082 million.

Other banks in Williamson County posting gains in deposits include First National Bank of Georgetown, up \$565,000; City National Bank of Taylor, up \$202,000; First National Bank of Round Rock, up \$429,000 million; and First State Bank of Granger, up \$264,000.

Granger National Bank registered a deposits increase of \$493,000; First National Bank of Schwertner, \$31,000; Coupland State Bank, \$292,000; and First Bank & Trust of Bartlett, \$74,000.

Total deposits at the Walburg State Bank fell \$25,000 in 1974; at Union State Bank of Florence, \$142,000; and at First State Bank of Jarrell, \$105,000.

## the passing glance

By Don Scarbrough

Momentarily, at least, President Ford could become the most popular leader in this country's recent history if he does, indeed, give everybody a 10 per cent rebate on 1974 taxes.

WHETHER THIS ACT would fall under the heading of sound fiscal policies is something else again, but most of us take a bird in hand for one on the bush.

Of course, President Ford probably couldn't get by with such a plan anyway. The cry of discrimination and favoring the rich will inevitably come up if such a scheme is offered. The complaint will be that the \$50,000 earner doesn't need a kickback on his taxes, while the fellow making \$5,000 needs a lot more than 10 per cent.

Certainly, there is no plan that will please everyone, but an across-the-board rebate would undoubtedly make a lot of people happy and, at the same time, quickly plow a lot of money back into circulation badly needed in the business houses of America.

A significant return of tax money to the public would stimulate business, increase sales in everything from beef to Buicks and thereby bring hundreds of thousands of men back into productive jobs.

Sound fiscal policy people will point out, grimly, that such an act might make us all happy for a few months but surely make the final agony of accountability more severe.

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INTEREST RATES and, to some extent, building costs appear headed downward, which is mighty good thinking so far as the gigantic housing industry of our country is concerned.

The building and selling fever that raged in and around Georgetown a year ago has now simmered down but the need is still very much here. If conditions permit, if confidence in the future of our economy is rebuilt, we can expect to see a tremendous surge in local building very quickly.

Deposits in Williamson County banks despite the gloomy predictions of recession climbed from \$55,458 million on December 31, 1973, to \$125,645 million on December 31, 1974.

For the year, banks were up \$10.187 million—an 8.82 percent leap.

More startling however, is the mid-October until December 31, 1974, County bank deposits leaped \$5.356 million—a 4.4 percent jump in just three months.

During that quarter, Farmers State Bank of Round Rock posted a \$3.419 million increase in deposits.

Taylor banks' total deposits of \$31,889 million and \$4,000,000 continue to hold No. 1 and No. 2 in the county's deposit roll.

Farmers State Bank of Round Rock moved

the No. 3 spot, with \$17,547 in deposits. Citizens State Bank of Georgetown occupied the 4 position, with \$16,608 million in deposits on December 31.

In descending order, total deposits were pegged at \$7,684 million at First National Bank of Cedar Park; \$5,449 million at Bartlett First Bank and Trust; \$5,241 million at Granger National Bank; \$3.5 million at First State Bank of Jarrell; \$4,166 million at Union State Bank of Florence.

Also, \$2.7 million at Bank of the Hills in Cedar Park; \$3,037 million at First National at Round Rock; \$2.5 million at Coupland State Bank; \$1.5 million at Schwertner First National Bank; \$1,074 million at First State Bank of Jarrell; \$1.5 million at Walburg State

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## Week's news in a nutshell

### In the nation...

To pump a recession-fighting \$15 billion into the economy, President Ford has tentatively chosen a tax cut through a 10 percent rebate on 1974 income taxes. While the House Ways and Means committee discussed Ford's proposals, including a new tariff and excise tax on crude oil, three Watergate convicts were freed.

Judge John Sirica canceled the remaining prison sentences of John Dean, Jeb Magruder and Herbert Kalmbach, three key prosecution witnesses at the Watergate cover-up trial that ended 10 days ago.

Another Watergate-related federal judge, Gerhard Gesell, barred networks from airing twenty hours of tapes that led to the resignation of Richard M. Nixon. Gesell said networks had failed to propose ways to prevent commercialization of the tapes.

Elliot Richardson, who resigned his Nixon administration cabinet post during the Watergate trauma, was named as ambassador to Britain by President Ford. Confirmation by the U. S. Senate is expected.

### In the county...

Williamson County Commissioners awarded a contract Monday to A. G. Solar and Company of Dallas to provide three new ambulances for the county-wide ambulance service. The vehicles will cost \$11,800 each.

The shortage of low-priced housing units and the abundance of substandard structures were cited by Georgetown city engineers in the preliminary draft of a 78-page study of the community's growth.

Jarrell School trustees considered two plans for the proposed Jarrell High School building Monday night. The board postponed selecting a building plan until January 20, when architects will submit two additional proposals for the 11-classroom facility.

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## Paul Harvey

### RICH MAN, POOR MAN

Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, was booted when he dared to suggest that the well-to-do are suffering, too. "Proportionately," he said, "the stockbroker has suffered more than most wage earners."

Quickly he discovered that there is little vocal support for stockbrokers.

**THEY HAVE NO UNION**, no organization demanding their dues, expressing their discontent.

But stockbrokers can get behind in their rent, even as others can. Stockbrokers' babies can go hungry.

Let's look at the plight of the poor rich people.

You can be a \$100,000 corporation executive and be in financial trouble these days. Ed Darby tells of one such man who was rewarded by his corporation with a stock option during the balmy days of the late 1960s.

He was given the right to purchase 5,000 shares of the company's stock at \$35 a share.

During the bull market of 1968, the stock became worth \$50 a share so he exercised his option. He borrowed \$175,000 to pay for stock worth \$250,000.

To borrow that much money he had to put up his stock as collateral.

Then — on paper at least — he was a quarter-millionaire. Assuming the stock went up he could have retired a millionaire.

**THE STOCK WENT DOWN INSTEAD.**

Today that formerly \$50 stock is selling for an absurd \$7 a share!

In recent years, as the stock price shrank, the value of the stock no longer covered the amount of his loan. He was asked for additional collateral. He mortgaged his house.

Today he has stock worth \$35,000 — but he owes the bank \$175,000.

Worse, on that borrowed money he is not paying just 6% interest any more; he is required to pay 13% interest.

And if he defaults, the bank will sell his stock — his one-time estate of a quarter-million dollars will be gone — and he'll still owe the bank \$140,000.

This problem is not limited to the executive with mortgaged stock. Many small businesses were built on borrowed money, using stock as collateral. Those businessmen are sweating blood these days to keep up their interest payments on that loan.

**BANKERS WILL TELL YOU** that borrowers who were never tardy before in making interest payments are now 30 days late — some 60 days late.

Their expenses are higher, due to inflation, and their investments are worth less due to recession.

And, in some cases, their high-salaried jobs are in jeopardy.

Again and understandably there is little compassion for the poor rich people. Also, it is likely that most will cut back and spend their reserves and hang on and make do until the stock market rallies again.

But all rich people are less rich now, and some are poor. Most have known they can't take it with them; now they hope they can just make it last till they go.

## Editorials

### Move those machines!

It will be interesting to see if Chrysler Corporation has come up with a successful sales gimmick in its offer to refund up to \$400 to customers on their automobiles.

**IT'S REALLY A RATHER STRANGE** approach, it seems to us. Why not just cut prices and skip the paper shuffling that is needed to earn the rebate? Seems that would be simpler.

Anyway, we wish Chrysler well and if the scheme is successful, we hope General Motors, Ford and A.M. quickly follow suit. It's disquieting to see all those automobile workers being laid off and the massive buildup of unsold cars on the car lots all over the nation, even unto Georgetown!

We are for seeing Buster, Bennie and Carl sell every car they can get their hands on from here on out.

### One man's attitude

Suppose gentlemanly Gene Martinka, our Chamber of Commerce manager, went out and nabbed a new industry that would provide 100 new jobs for our fine city....

**HERE IS WHAT** those 100 new jobs would mean, according to somebody's figures:

. . . 68 additional non-manufacturing jobs would be created;

. . . personal incomes would increase over million per year;

. . . annual retail sales would jump \$600,000.00;

. . . one new retail establishment would be added;

. . . bank deposits would increase half a million dollars,

. . . 97 new families would be added to the area.

So, Martinka, go out and get one, or maybe two!

We're behind you all the way. Come to think of it, we might even help!

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**PUBLIC ATTITUDE** means so much in attracting new people, new industry. There is a story told about Temple, said to be absolutely true. It concerns a manufacturer taking a vacation in Texas who stopped at a Temple filling station some thirty years ago. He was so impressed with the friendly filling station attendant that he decided to move his family to that city and to build a plant there. His was the first of a number of successful manufacturing companies now making Temple an outstanding small city. It was the attitude of one man that turned the economy of Temple around. Before that Temple was just another struggling farm community.

## SUN Editorials and Features

### Stuart Long

#### Austin Notebook

AUSTIN — Many new Texas legislatures have come to Austin in the Januaries of even-numbered years with a feeling of importance because they were being told that they had more important problems to solve than any Legislature ever assembled.

The one which goes to work full-time Tuesday will be told the same thing.

But this time, even the most cynical will agree that it is a vital and important session, with more far-reaching and broader problems to solve than any of its 634 predecessor Legislatures.

And one factor which makes it even harder to solve the problems is the fact that the legislators are representing people who are, as any of us will admit, confused about the economic future, uncertain about the values of government at all levels, disturbed by the changes of old values or the slowness of arrival of new values and, to put it bluntly, short of and badly needing leadership.

Texas legislators may not be able to do much about the skyrocketing inflation; and it is well that they do not have to assume responsibility for it.

Arguments will be convincing, yet conflicting. Costs will be staggering. Lobby pressures will be heavy, and compromise

because they have their work cut out for them, in many fields.

No. 1 is the school finance problem, of course, because not only does it involve the coming generations, and their future, but it also blankets vast amounts of money. Proposals before the legislators will range from \$980 million to \$2 billion, all advanced as "the way" to assure that each Texas child gets an equal chance at a quality education.

Salaries for college teachers and public employees will be tough issues, since they, like all of us, can show that each month's dollar is worth less. Operating budgets for state agencies will likewise be tough to draw because of inflation.

Sen. A. M. Aikin, Jr., of Paris, who will continue as Senate Finance chairman, and his House counterpart, yet to be named by a yet-to-be-elected Speaker Bill Clayton of Springdale, will be looking for ways to trim budgets which administrators will insist do not allow them to do the jobs they have been appointed to do.

Social welfare issues will attract deep and searching testimony and debate. The experts, and in some cases the courts, are saying that

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more and more of the mentally ill and mentally retarded should be treated in community centers near their families. To close and abandon the expensively-built penitentiaries and youth institutions, and try to shift some of the load to the local governments as it has been done in mental health, will be hard to sell to many legislators. Some think juries

convict to get troublesome people out of town, just as they shipped the mentally ill to state hospitals, sometimes just because they were old and senile and unable to take care of themselves.

Big money fights will be before the Legislature, as always. The question of whether a costly offshore oil

terminal should be financed by state revenue bonds or by private borrowings, will be one of the big ones. The no-fault insurance tussle will pit lawyers against reformers, both using arguments so conclusive that neither could be wrong. The medical profession will be

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will be in order.

Energy issues will be equally as confusing. Typical divisions can be expected, as the spokesmen for city governments join with those for the public utilities opposing the idea of state regulation of utility rates. It should be noted that a Senate sub-committee divided evenly, and therefore made no recommendation, as to whether such a commission should be created.

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## Dan Kubiaik

for our children. This is in line with our Texas Constitution. I believe it follows logically, also, that with the provision of free public education there comes the responsibility to insure that the schools within the education system are doing a good, adequate job. This is done by our state education agency and I think this is where it should be done.

But I do not think there is sound reason for church schools to be considered in this light.

I have a firm, unyielding belief in our federal and state Constitutions when they declare that there shall be a separation of church and state. I think that on this ground alone any proposed legislation would be determined as unconstitutional.

But furthermore, it simple does not seem to be the proper role of the state to try to force educational standards onto private learning institutions. That is totally out of bounds.

First, I think it is entirely proper and I think that it is essential that the State provide a system of free public education

man Joe Christie on how health maintenance organizations should be run, if indeed they are to be allowed in Texas.

The air and water and land resources of the state will provide other troubling questions for the men and women of the 64th Legislature to decide, or to battle to scoreless ties and leave for the 65th to decide. These issues will entwine with the energy issues, as oil, gas, chemicals and other industries argue that they should be left alone to meet energy needs, instead of being burdened with laws on strip mining, air pollution lawsuits by the Sierra Club and water pollution fines of \$25,000 a day.

These are but a few of the tough problems which may lead some of the 181 legislators to wonder why they bothered to run for a job paying about \$95 a week.

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The Legislature, convening on Tuesday, is an exciting and interesting part of your government.

I sincerely hope that you will have one or several opportunities to come to Austin and watch the State Senate or the House of Representatives during their legislative deliberations.

The lawmaking process is one that is vital to our system of government and one that I certainly think you could find interesting.

As your representative in the House of Representatives, I hope you'll stop by my office when you're in the Capitol and visit with me. It is always good to see my constituents and good friends from my legislative district.

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My offices in Rockdale and Austin are open Monday through Friday to serve you. The Rockdale office is located at 237 Ackerman or you can write to Post Office Box 272, Rockdale, zip 76567. In Rockdale, the telephone number is 446-2339. In Austin, you can contact me by writing to Post Office Box 2910, Austin, zip 78767, or by phoning 512-475-3563.

## Agribusiness courses set

The Taylor and Georgetown Chambers of Commerce will sponsor an agribusiness short course in Taylor on February 18 and in Georgetown on February 25.

The evening programs will focus on the agricultural use and value of land in Williamson County.

Local landowners and real estate experts will speak at the short course meetings.

## Drivers warned to stop vehicle when buses load

Motorists are warned to stop their vehicles when approaching a school bus that is loading or unloading. John Shearin, Georgetown police chief, said Friday.

He said the law applies regardless of where the bus is stopped.

Shearin said violators face a minimum \$27.50 fine, and that the penalty ranges up to \$200.

With so many question marks in our future, we get upset ourselves sometimes and we couldn't promise to be the kind of kids that just anybody would want. But maybe there is somebody, somewhere, who is willing to take a chance on us. The State Department of Welfare will help to pay for our living expenses in foster care.

I'm not going to sign my real name, but if you know anybody who's interested in me and my brothers, would you please ask them to call the State Department of Welfare in Georgetown, 863-6576? I happen to be eight years old myself, but there are lots of other kids a lot like me who are three or nine or fifteen. Some of them are black, some are brown, some are white. Some of them are even girls.

Hoping to hear from you soon.

Henry



The Christian Science Monitor

## Jack Anderson

### Washington Merry-Go-Round

#### Support for Israel Eroding



But it was the President's four teen-age children — Steve, Mike, Jack and Susan — who ran the agents ragged. The Ford youngsters swirled down the back slopes through the powder, giving their bodyguards a wild war.

Some agents, we are told, are longing for the less athletic Nixon sons, Johnnies and Eisenhowers.

SILENT NIGHT: Richard Nixon telephoned a few friends in Washington shortly after he was forced out of the White House. They remember his conversations as aimless and rambling. But in the past couple of months, the telephone calls have stopped. These friends tell us that, except for Christmas cards, they have heard nothing lately from the former President.

JOYRIDING: Auditors at the General Accounting Office have verified stories we have been reporting for years about the misuse of government automobiles. Everywhere the gumshoes looked, they found brass hats and bureaucrats flitting around the country, taking care of their personal business in federal sedans and limousines.

The military was found to be particularly abusive. The GAO found that "sedans were used, especially by high-ranking personnel, for trips to restaurants, golf courses, florists, cleaners, officers' clubs and theaters."

GAINING CONFIDENCE: Sources close to President Ford say he is slowly gaining a strong grasp on the presidency. His ascendancy to the White House was so sudden, they say, that Ford floundered for the first few months. But now, they claim, he is ready to make some tough decisions and to assert strong leadership.

FUELISH FUZZ: In the name of conserving energy, military police on some posts have been cruising around in gas-guzzling cars to monitor porch lights at the homes of servicemen. When they find one on, they wake up the GI and make him turn it off.

Meanwhile, servicemen tell us, the lights at some generals' homes continue to burn brightly.

STRANGE BEDFELLOWS: Fred Thompson, the former

minority counsel of the Senate Watergate Committee, helped spark the investigation of funds contributed to the presidential campaigns of Democrats. Now the Washington law firm of O'Connor and Hannan, where one of his fellow counsel is none other than Hubert H. Humphrey III, son of the junior senator from Minnesota.

IN FAIRNESS: The Associated Press reports we were high on the list of private citizens whom the Central Intelligence Agency has kept under surveillance. Nevertheless, we want to be fair. It was the CIA's own top officials -- James Schlesinger, the former director, and William Colby, the present director -- who put a stop to the illegal CIA spying on American citizens. It is also our duty to report that the CIA has the best record in Washington for accurate intelligence.

BACK SEAT: Pan Am, "the world's most experienced airline," has been charged with giving blacks an experience in diehard racism. Civil Aerodynamics Board investigators have quietly accused Pan Am of discriminating against blacks on crowded flights by systematically shunting them into the coach section while whites are given a choice of first class seats.

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## PTA to focus on child abuse

A program on child abuse will highlight the Georgetown Parent - Teacher Association meeting on Tuesday, January 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the primary school cafeteria.

The group will show the audio-visual presentation, a discussion will follow the film.

### Wineinger on dean's list

John Wineinger, 104 Ridge Oak in San Gabriel Heights, was named to the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement during the first semester at Southwest Texas State University.

Wineinger is a sophomore at SWTSU.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Wineinger.

### Woman's Club discusses roles

The San Gabriel Woman's Club held a panel discussion Thursday on the changing roles of women.

The discussion was moderated by Claire Mashburn. Panel members included Carla Perry, Mary Helen Parka, Jane Eide, and Jeanette Miller.

The discussion was held at the home Mrs. Stewart DeWitt in Oak Crest Estates.

### GET RESULTS

Use the classified to sell unwanted items, find a job, or hire a worker. Call 863-6555.



**JOB EDUCATION PROGRAM** — Four eighth-graders at the Georgetown Junior High School and teacher Daniel Beaver explained the career education program to the Georgetown Noon Lions Club. Pictured are Daniel Beaver, and students Mike Thomson, Jeanne Clifford, Lynette Saterfield and Lori Naizer.

## 8th grade job education program explained to G'town Lions Club

The career education program at the Georgetown Junior High School was explained to the Noon Lions Club Wednesday by four local eighth-graders and teacher Daniel Beaver.

Beaver told the Lions that Georgetown is one of 10 Texas school districts to establish a career education course in its junior high school.

The program, Beaver said, is designed to acquaint students with the different job opportunities in today's working world.

Four eighth graders — Lori Naizer, Lynette Saterfield, Jeanne Clifford and Mike Thomson — demonstrated aspects of the educational program.

The four students were among 87 eighth-graders at the Georgetown Junior High School attending a 45-minute class on occupations each day during the first semester.

**LORI NAIZER** told the Lions Club that the program explains the importance of choosing a career.

Through the junior high pilot program, Miss Naizer said, she and her classmates learn about the availability, salaries, and working conditions of various jobs.

Miss Naizer, who said she hopes to attend the University of Texas to prepare for a career in social work, said one learning tool in the pilot program is the occupation education kit, which includes pamphlets on 400 different jobs.

She said the class is able to relate to different jobs through field trips, which is "one thing our school needs more of."

**JEANNE CLIFFORD** followed Miss Naizer's presentation with comments on her chosen profession — accounting.

She noted that the demand for accountants in business, government and non-profit organizations is high.

Miss Clifford said the beginning salary for an accountant is \$10,700 to \$11,700, and that a

top-notch accountant can expect to double that beginning figure in five years.

Another favorable aspect of the profession is the comfortable working conditions, she added.

She listed eye strain as a possible working hazard. Prospective accountants should have an intelligence, a flair for figures, concentration and the ability to interpret data, she said.

A 4-year college program is necessary for an accounting degree, Miss Clifford said. She added that there's a shortage of qualified accountants today, and that the shortage is expected to continue for five to ten years.

**LYNETTE SATERFIELD** told the Lions she regards social work, her chosen occupation, as a "rewarding career."

Miss Saterfield said social work offers three different job opportunities:

- Case workers, who counsel an individual or a family in solving social problems.

- Group workers, who assist a group, instead of individuals, in dealing with social problems.

- Community organization workers, who study organizations in the community to see if they are meeting the needs of the community.

**MIKE THOMSON** said the career education program in the eighth grade helps junior high school students to choose appropriate classes in high school.

He hopes to enter an agriculture-related career, and reported to the Lions Club on

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## Arbor Day celebration planned Friday in park

The Georgetown Garden Club will sponsor an Arbor Day celebration Friday at 2 p.m. in San Gabriel Park.

Frances Mayo, program chairman, said the club will hold the ceremony near the sunken garden in the park.

The planting and dedication of a tree will highlight the afternoon.

The program will begin with an invocation by the Reverend Al Cummins of the First Baptist Church of Georgetown.

Mrs. Mayo said,

The program chairman will then read an official Arbor Day proclamation by Governor Dolph Briscoe.

After the group sings "America the Beautiful," Berneice Adkins will read a message from J. W. Edgar, Texas education commissioner, on the observance of Arbor Day.

Ollie Barton will follow with a message from Paul R. Kramer, director of the Texas Forest Service. Kramer's

message to the group will stress the aesthetic and economic importance of trees.

Shirley Dedear will read the poem "Trees," by Joyce Kilmer, and Merle Weir will deliver an explanation of the history of Arbor Day.

Rosamond McClain will speak on the necessity of trees in a community.

The group will follow Peggy Cummins in reciting a poem "What Trees Teach Us," by Helen O. Hoyt. Tommye Lea

Buchanan will then read the poem "What Do We Plant," by Henry Abbey.

The Arbor Day program calls for a tree-planting ceremony, and Mrs. Mayo said the garden club will dedicate a tree to a civic-minded Georgetown citizen.

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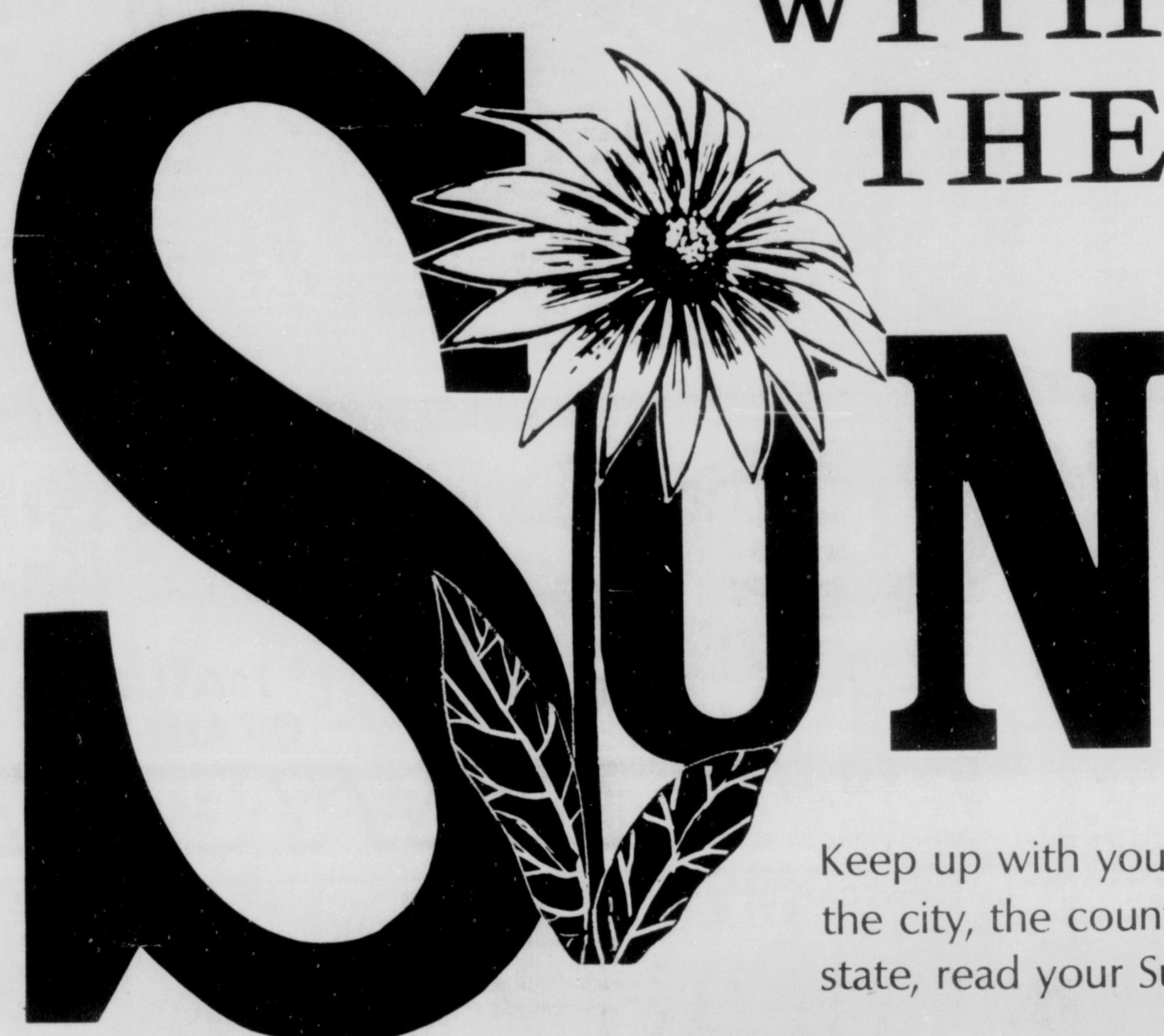
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# FLORENCE NEWS

BY MRS. J. E. CASKEY



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Mr. and Mrs. Jim Baker were hosts Sunday to the families of the late O. N. and Georgia Baker. Forty-four descendants came from Austin, Round Rock, Houston, Sinton, Rockdale, Waco, Andice and Florence.

Mrs. Beatrice McVey, Mrs. C. B. Simmons and Mrs. W. Z. Isbell were in Georgetown to visit Mrs. J. R. Atkinson at the hospital.

Capt. and Mrs. Kenneth McGinty of Tampa, Florida and Gary Mullen of Rock Springs, Wyoming visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mullen during the holidays.

Mrs. G. L. Butts has returned home after spending the holidays with relatives in Austin. Mr. and Mrs. Don Simonson of Austin visited her Sunday.

Cecil Baker of Austin visited friends and relatives Saturday.

Wilburn Young of Dallas spent several days in his Florence home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Grimm and son of Georgetown spent Sunday in the Ed Rose home.

Mrs. Dorothy Manley Seward and children of New York are here to visit her aunt, Mrs. J. R. Atkinson and other relatives.

Captain and Mrs. Bill Heisler from Fort Benning, Ga. and Larry Alberts from Fort Rucker, Ala., spent the Christmas and New Year's holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Alberts. They returned to their respective homes Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Alberts and Herbert Miller visited Mrs. Rosa Atkinson Sunday who is a patient in Georgetown hospital; they also went to Burnet to visit in the John Copley home.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Saski and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Ward of Belton were Sunday visitors with the Ernest Mullen's.

Those from Levis & Lace Square Dance Club who attended the New Years' Eve dance in Harker Heights were Mr. and Mrs. Dock Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Blansit, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mullen, Mr. and Mrs. Al Alberts, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ross and Mr. and Mrs. Abe Swope. This is a yearly traditional dance sponsored by the Hoedowners and is held in Slim Herrington's Barn. A delicious breakfast was served to approximately 200 dancers.

The Levis & Lace Square Dance Club held its regular business meeting on January 2 and elected the following new officers for the coming year: President, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Walker; Vice-President, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Blansit; Secretary, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Swope; Treasurer, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Graham; Reporter, Mrs. Al Alberts. The Club voted to sponsor a Chili Supper at its regular dance on January 25 and to invite all prospective new members to join for a free supper as new classes will begin the last week in January. Anyone interested call any member for further information. Square Dancing is a very good, clean, wholesome pastime and the Levis & Lace have a wonderful caller, building to dance in and good times at each dance, 2nd and 4th Saturday nights.

Mrs. Lloyd Lockhart and Mrs. Beatrice McVey were in Georgetown Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Ogden of Livingston and Miss Kris Arntz of San Antonio were holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mullen.

Wilbur C. Love of Austin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs.

## Council splits on uniform buy

The Florence mayor's tie-breaking vote tipped the balance of the Florence City Council against a motion Tuesday to buy a uniform for the city's patrol officer.

With the council split 2-2 on whether to pay \$65.55 for a uniform for Patrolman Phillip W. Hood, Mayor Robert Chambers cast his vote against the motion.

Aldermen followed the same voting lines established in two confrontations on the issue during December's council session.

Mary Alice Alberts and Elmo Ledger voted for the purchase; R. C. Ward, David Meredith and Robert Chambers voted against it.

Sam Burkett was absent.

Mrs. Alberts contended that Patrolman Hood is required by law to wear a uniform in his court-related duties.

Ward, on the other hand, said that if Hood needs a uniform, he should purchase it himself.

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## Cases on docket up in December

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Although the court disposed of 59 cases, 62 cases were added to the docket during the month, according to the county's report to the Texas Civil Judicial Council.

The number of civil cases on the docket increased from 160 to 163.

The TCJC monthly report, prepared by Neal Boydston, court clerk, states that the criminal court docket, on December 1, included 38 cases of driving while intoxicated, 50 cases of swindling with a worthless check, 42 cases of marijuana possession and 82 other criminal offenses.

During the month, 23 DWIs, nine worthless check cases, 15 pot possession cases and 15 other suspected offenses were added to the docket. Three of the other criminal offenses, the

report states, reached the docket by appeal from lower courts.

Williamson County Court, meanwhile, disposed of 15 DWIs (13 by pleas of guilty or nolo contendere and one by dismissal) and 10 worthless check cases (five by plea and five by dismissal).

Also disposed of were 15 marijuana cases (12 by plea and three by dismissal) and 20 other cases (12 by plea, two by jury trial, and six by dismissal).

Williamson County Court disposed of no civil cases during the month. Three civil cases were added to the docket.

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When Jean Jackson reaches into the beef-filled freezer at her Liberty Hill home, she's confident that whatever cut of meat she chooses is the best possible bargain.

After all, Mrs. Jackson filled her freezer with 270 pounds of beef — at an average cost of 37 cents a pound!

In December, Mrs. Jackson

assist in slaughtering and skinning the calf.

After they cut and wrapped the meat and stored it in a freezer, Mrs. Jackson calculated that the carcass yielded 270 pounds of edible beef.

Mrs. Jackson said the operation was bloody, but certainly worth the effort.

This Saturday, the County

how to slaughter, skin and dress a calf.

The extension service will have a cooled calf carcass on hand to demonstrate custom processing procedures.

Bailey is highly regarded in the meat processing field. Before joining the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, he operated a commercial slaughterhouse and meat locker.

The reason for the demonstration, county agent Wakefield said, is the wide spread between the price of beef on the hoof at the auction and beef in the freezer at the supermarkets.

The program is organized by John Wakefield and Judy Dedeck, county agents.

Mrs. Dedeck explained that not only is the home slaughter of calves a money-saving bargain, but it also provides meat with less calories.

"The use of baby beef can result in a calorie saving for those who need it," she said.

"Grass fed or baby beef will have less fat, more protein, more water soluble vitamins and less fat soluble vitamins than does grain fed beef. The major difference is the ratio of fat to lean. Cuts from baby beef will generally be leaner," she said.



**JEAN JACKSON**  
fills freezer with beef  
at 37 cents a pound

and her husband, with the help of Williamson County agricultural agent John Wakefield, bought a calf at a Georgetown Company auction.

The Jacksons paid \$96.80 for the 440-pound animal.

Mrs. Jackson, a nutrition program aid with the Williamson County Extension Service, invited a few of her friends over one afternoon last month to

Extension Service is sponsoring a demonstration on the home slaughter and preparation of beef to help other Williamson County families reduce their food budgets.

The 2-hour demonstration is scheduled for 1 p.m. Saturday at the Jonah School.

W. W. Bailey, a Texas A&M University meat specialist, will conduct the demonstration on

## 23 crimes reported to sheriff last month

Twenty-three crimes — including 16 burglaries and two forcible rapes — were reported to the Williamson County Sheriff's Department during December.

In its monthly report to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the sheriff's department stated that one case of assault, three cases of larceny theft and one case of automobile theft were also reported during the month.

The sheriff's department arrested 77 suspects during

December in connection with crimes reported earlier in the year.

The arrests included one suspect for murder and non-negligent manslaughter; two for forcible rape; eight for burglary; one for larceny; four for forgery; and three for fraud.

Also, 13 suspects were arrested for possession of marijuana; 17 for driving while intoxicated; 10 for drunkenness; and 18 for other offenses.

## Library asks for book or buck during Jan. 19 open house

On Sunday, Jan. 19, residents of the Georgetown area will have the opportunity to become better acquainted with the Georgetown Public Library at a special open house from 3 to 8 p.m. sponsored by The Friends of the Library.

At the same time they can contribute to the support of the library collection or a dollar to help defray operating expenses. Visitors will also be able to join The Friends of the Library at the event.

In announcing the Book or a Buck open house a spokesman for The Friends of the Library stated that the library is a com-

munity asset which is too often just taken for granted with very few Georgetown area residents aware of the services offered by the library or the sources of funding. The open house, which all area residents are urged to attend, will serve to answer questions about the library as well as to interest a greater number of citizens in offering their support.

Several civic clubs are cooperating in the open house. Volunteers from the Georgetown Woman's Club, the Music Club, Georgetown Study Club, the Homebuilders Class of the First United Methodist Church, and The Friends of the Library are among those supplying cookies, punch, and financial support and acting as hosts. Mrs. Barbara Seever, chairman of the event, asks that those who are contributing cookies bring them to the library either on Saturday, Jan. 18, during library hours, or when they attend the open house on Sunday.

**Fourth graders have seminar**

**KNOW YOUR PROTECTION AND YOUR PROTECTOR** was the second study made by the fourth grade at Westside Elementary school this week.

Students participated in a seminar with Mr. Harvey Brabandt — property taxes; Mr. Jim Isbell — social security and workman's compensation, and Mr. W. E. "Bill" Edmiston — Health and property insurance. Each speaker gave answers to personal questions in a brief question-answer period. The teachers will do a follow-up on knowing your business.

**SPAGHETTI SUPPER** Alpha Iota Tau, Round Rock chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, is presenting its annual Spaghetti Supper, Saturday, January 18, 1975 at the American Legion Hall in Round Rock.

Admission, \$1.75, adults; \$1.00, children. Featured on the menu will be spaghetti, salad and hot bread. Desserts and Food To Go will be available.

Tickets may be purchased from any member of the sorority or at the door.

## Center to offer tax service

Georgetown Neighborhood Center at 1102 Railroad St. is offering a free income tax service for four Saturdays beginning Jan. 18 and through Feb. 8. The service will be available between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Preparations of income tax forms will be done by students in the Southwestern University tax class.

To make an appointment or for more information, interested persons may call 863-5010.

## Florence homestead exemptions available

The tax office at Florence City Hall reminds taxpayers 65 and older to claim a homestead exemption as soon as possible after February 1.

L. H. Clark, city manager and tax collector-assessor, said city taxpayers who turned 65 during the 1974 calendar year must stop by city hall to register for the exemption.

Any taxpayer 65 or older before January 1 is eligible for the exemption, Clark said.

**GET RESULTS**  
Use the classified to sell unwanted items, find a job, or hire a worker. Call 863-6555.

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Apple or Peach 20 oz. pkg. <b>59¢</b>	5 oz. pkg. <b>15¢</b>	9½ oz. <b>95¢</b>

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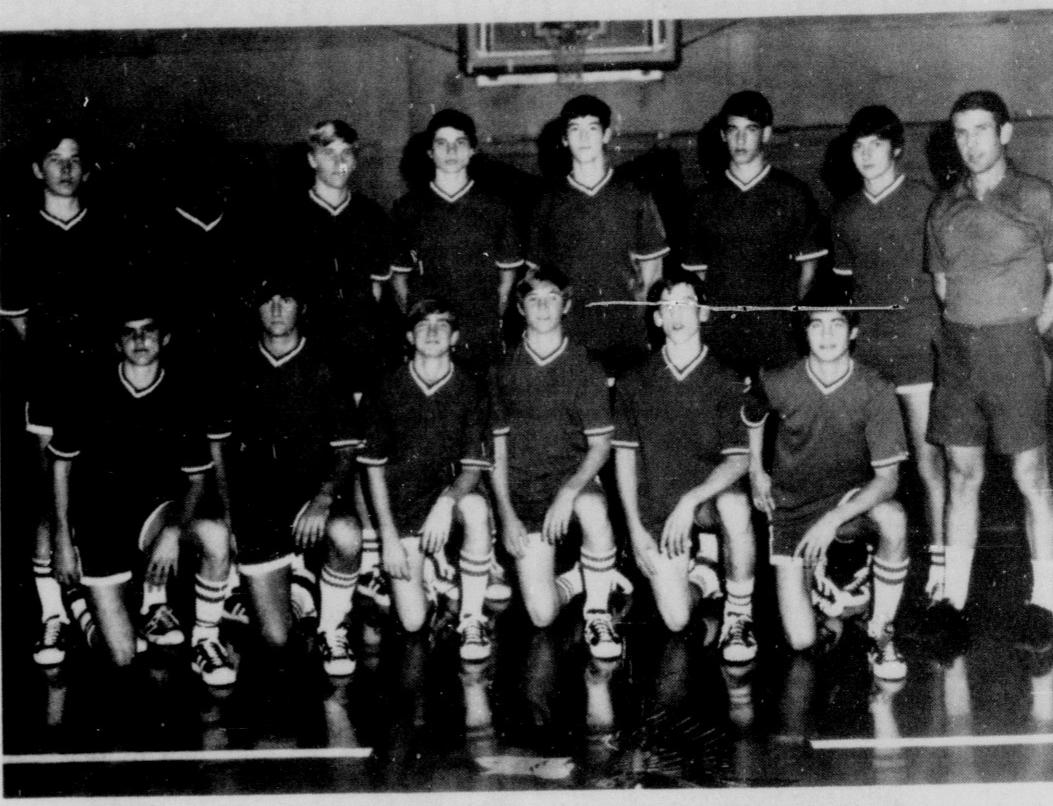
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THE 1974-75 GEORGETOWN HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN BASKETBALL TEAM. They are, front row, left to right, Dexter Saterfield, Shane Gower, Brad Miller, and David Hays. Back row, same order, Marvin Johnson, John Babicki, Jimmy Jacob, Ronnie Wagner, Joe Jenkins, David Jackson, and Coach Steve Golemon.



THE 1974-75 GEORGETOWN HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM. They are, front row, left to right, Terrell Benold, Kary Kemble, Gene Lawhon, Randy Hawry, Larry Allman, and Kevin McCalla. Back row, same order, Mark Zimmerhanzell, Bill Jones, Scott Crawford, Alfred Girard, Randy Stump, Mark Miller, Bill Parsons, and Coach Doug Parker.



BILL MERRITT  
Merritt named  
S.U. golf coach

Bill Merritt, member of the physical education department at Southwestern University, has been named golf coach for that school by Dr. T. L. Kassen, athletic director.

In making the announcement, Dr. Kassen noted that Merritt had led Southwestern's golf teams into the NAIA regional playoffs several years ago when he coached that sport. A graduate of Southwestern with a master's degree from Baylor and post graduate work at both Baylor and Texas University, Merritt has been on the athletic staff at Southwestern for the past 10 years. He also coached basketball for six years, and his team was ranked 18th in the nation by both AP and UPI polls at the end of the 1967-68 season.

He coached at Marlin High School and then at Texas City before joining the Southwestern staff.

"I'm looking forward to working with this team," Merritt said.

Returning lettermen for the Bucs will be Mark Coward, who was conference medalist last year; Jack Lyons, and Howard Tonahill; while such newcomers as Mark Kissell, Todd Sattler, Les Russell, Jack Baggett, and Rick Ailts are expected to bolster the team. Practice starts Monday on the nine-hole course that is a part of the Southwestern campus.

## Round Ball Round Up

### GEORGETOWN:

The Georgetown Eagles lost to the Round Rock Dragons 31-56. The Eagles made a pretty fair game of it in the first half against the taller Dragons, but faded badly in the second half. They were able to score only 6 points in each of the last two periods.

Alfred Girard led the Eagle scoring with 16 points. Bill Jones had 6, and Scott Crawford 5. For Round Rock Young scored 24 points, Lively 10, and Giles 6.

Alfred Girard pulled down 8 rebounds to lead the Eagles in that department.

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The Georgetown High School girls Varsity fell 50-89 to Copperas Cove. Scoring for the Eaglettes was as follows, Ann Stockton 29 points, Pam Mickan 15, Kathy Bizzell 4, and Lisa DeWitt 2.

Cheryl Brunt had 8 rebounds for Georgetown. Kerry Wakefield and Ann Stockton 6 each, Lisa DeWitt 5, and Linda Chandler 4.

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The High School girls Junior Varsity defeated Copperas

Cove 55-52. For Georgetown Linda Kotrola had 24 points, Treva Turner 14, Pattie Almquist 9, and Eunice Teinert 8. Turner, Kotrola, Teinert, Hartman, and Almquist all had 5 rebounds apiece.

The Freshman girls lost to Copperas Cove 16-20. Georgetown led 2-1 at the end of the first quarter, and were tied 7-7 at the half. Georgetown led 13-11 at the end of the third period, but CC outscored Georgetown 9-3 in the final period to take the win.

Debbie Hobratch had 7 points for Georgetown, Ozella Sedwick 6, and Nila Shanklin 3. Ozella Sedwick pulled in 9 rebounds. Vicki Leschber 4, Linda McCalla and Carol Marak 3 each.

The Georgetown 8th Grade Eagles defeated Martin Jr. High 54-38, and this gives them a 6-2 record for the season. James Williams led the Georgetown scoring with 28 points, Kent Turner had 16; and Stan Smith 5.

The 8th Graders will play

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The Leander Lions Varsity boys basketball team lost to Hearne 55-73. The Lions led at halftime 28-24, but faded in the final two stanzas as the Eagles pulled away.

Scoring for Leander were Coleman with 17 points, Strait 16, Isaac 9, Hammack 7, and Martin 6. Hill was high point man for Hearne with 25.

The Lion Junior Varsity lost to Hearne 26-38. Carl Crider led Lion scorers with 11 points, Sebasto and Doug Asher each.

Hearne defeated the Leander Freshman team 42-23. Ricky Cook and David Sturgeon each had 11 points for Leander, and Steve Kuhn had 1.

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The Leander girls Varsity basketball team defeated Westlake 64-24. Tracy McDougal had 4, Jimmy Butler 3, and Carlos Hernandez 2. For Hearne Murphy led with 14 points.

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led the way for Leander with 32 points. Barbara Schumake, Marcell Ellison, and Cheryl Scrimshire 8 each, Jan Boone 6, and Denise Alley 2.

Rebounding for Leander were Linda Wolfe with 8, Sylvia Neeley 7, Tracy McDougal 6, and Jan Boone 5.

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The Leander girls Junior Varsity team overwhelmed Westlake 78-10. Olivia Whitfield scored 24 points for Leander, Joni Robinson 18, Bonnie Hawkins 14, Alice Holliman 10, Patty Ringer 8, and Shery Cudd 4.

In the rebound department for Leander Ringer had 16, Whitfield and Joni Robinson 7 each, Patty Robinson and Cudd 6 each.

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## Larsen's garden plan explained

Dr. John E. Larsen, a Texas A&M University professor and a vegetable production expert, distributed copies of his family garden plan to gardeners in Walburg, Leander and Taylor this week. Larsen designed the plan to accommodate the climate and soil of Williamson County.

### FAMILY GARDEN

I. Most popular vegetables consumed: lettuce, tomatoes, potatoes, onions, celery, green beans, sweet corn, peas, English and Southern; peppers, carrots, cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower, squash, okra, greens, turnip, collard, mustard, chard, spinach. II. Selections of vegetables for a model of a small 20x21 ft. garden. (7 beds, 3 feet on center and rows 20 ft. long)

#### Spring

Beds 1. Onions—2 rows on the bed, 8 to 12 inches apart. 200 plants required, transplant about 2½ inches apart in the row during good weather in late December to the middle of February. To produce large bulbs, harvest every other plant for green onions.

Beds 2. Lettuce and Cabbage—use 15 feet of bed for lettuce and 5 ft. for cabbage. Make three plantings of lettuce, 5 feet of bed each and 2 rows on the bed about 10 inches apart. Make first planting during good weather in January or February with last planting by mid March. Transplant four or five cabbage plants in 5 feet of bed by mid March or before.

Beds 3. Green Beans—seed bush green beans after the soil warms to 65 degrees in March.

Beds 4. Tomatoes and Peppers—Transplant 6 to 10 tomato plants at 18-inch spacing (24 inch spacing for caged plants) and 2 to 6 pepper plants at 18-inch spacing (sweet and/or hot) in March. Be prepared to protect from a late frost.

Beds 5. Pinto beans or French Horticultural bean—seed in March or early April after soil warms to 65 degrees.

#### Fall

Beds 1. Lettuce—start planting lettuce after Southern peas harvest in complete, usually early September. Make multiple plantings about 10 days to 14 days apart on 5 feet of bed space, 2 rows.

Beds 2. Greens—turnip greens, spinach, mustard or other greens.

Beds 3. Tomatoes—continue until fall freeze.

Beds 4. Peppers and Carrots—continue peppers until freeze and harvest carrots during late fall and winter.

Beds 5. Broccoli, Cauliflower & Cabbage—plant seed in early September or as soon as beans become unproductive, or set transplants in September.

Beds 6. Okra and Ruby Chard—continue until freeze kills okra and continue with Ruby Chard until a hard freeze.

Beds 7. English peas—seed peas, 2 rows on bed, in first two weeks of September.

## Fruit expert instructs gardeners

Local gardeners were told this week to study the climate and soil of Williamson County before choosing fruit trees to plant.

Dr. Arlie Powell, a Texas A&M University professor and a fruit production specialist, spoke to gardeners in Walburg, Leander and Taylor.

"Find out what fruit trees are adapted to the climate and soil of your area," Powell said.

He explained that because most fruits require an accumulation of hours in weather below 45 degrees, Williamson County is not the most ideal location for fruit orchards.

However, with careful planning, gardeners can expect a successful fruit crop from wisely-chosen trees, he said.

Powell distributed copies of a list of fruit trees adapted to Williamson County.

He explained that in discussions of fruiting behavior, one question is always asked: Will one tree, planted by itself, bear fruit?

Powell noted that some trees are self-fruitful, and will produce fruit when isolated. These include peaches, persimmons and some varieties of cherries.

The Texas Extension Agricultural Service horticulturist said that if a gardener wants to plant just one tree, a self-fruitful tree must be used.

On the other hand, he said, other fruits require cross-pollination with a different variety of the same fruit. Such

## Vaughn Sanders completes course

Vaughn D. Sanders of Vaughn's Floor Coverings, Inc., Georgetown, has completed an advanced management seminar for Armstrong Floor Fashion Center (FFC) retailers. The seminar was held in Houston, and conducted by Armstrong's Training and Development staff.

The five-day course, open to owners, officers and managers of FFC stores, covers a gamut of subjects. Among these are cost control, personnel retention, consumerism, merchandising, and competitive practices.

## Pvt. Williams at Camp Jackson

Army Private Julius R. Williams, 21, son of Mrs. Altelinair Williams of Georgetown is assigned as a grader operator in Company C, 44th Engineer Battalion at Camp Jackson, S.C.

## Organic gardening, anyone?



DR. JOHN E. LARSEN  
—organic gardener

The use of a compost soil supplement in organic gardening was explained to Williamson County gardeners this week by Dr. John E. Larsen, a Texas Agricultural Extension Service expert on vegetable production.

Larsen presented a program with 80 slides displaying the benefits of the organic gardening method to backyard farmers at sessions in Walburg, Leander and Taylor.

The following is his advice to Williamson County gardeners:

Organic matter, while not necessary for plant growth, is a vital component of most soils. Under suitable climatic conditions both animal and plant life gain a foothold on weathering soil materials.

As generations pass, organic residues are left to decay and mix with the decomposing mineral mass which then becomes soil as we know it.

When organic matter from plant remains is added to soil, it is immediately attacked, if conditions are favorable, by a host of different organisms in the soil.

The easily decomposed compounds such as sugars, starches, cellulose and proteins break down rapidly, first yielding complex intermediate products and finally the simple products such as carbon dioxide, nitrates, sulfates, phosphates, calcium compounds, etc.

The lignins, fats and oils, waxes and resins decompose more slowly. In the decomposition process they unite with proteins and allied nitrogenous compounds to form a more persistent product, humus.

Although persistent, humus is not stable and also continuously decomposes to carbon dioxide and the simple mineral compounds.

**IN THE SOUTH** there is a rapid turnover of organic matter in the soil, with estimates of 10 percent or more of the organic matter lost from the soil each year. This turnover represents the biochemical activity of decomposition processes by the microorganisms.

Thus the organic matter serves as an energy source or food for the microorganisms. The simple products (minerals) of decomposition serve as nutrients for plants and microorganisms.

The persistent complex product of decomposition, humus, has many functions in soil. It promotes granulation of soils which in turn promotes aeration and drainage.

Humus, as a colloidal complex, acts much the same as clay in absorbing hydrogen ions and the basic ions (calcium, magnesium, potassium, ammonium, sodium, etc.).

The hydrogen humus (humic acid) reacts with soil minerals to dissolve or extract the basic nutrient ions which are then loosely absorbed on the colloidal complex and are easily available to plants.

A pear tree is a beautiful specimen in the yard as well as in the garden," he said. "And it's as consistent a fruit tree as you can grow."

He added that pear tree owners must diligently spray their trees to expect a good harvest.

Pears require 500-700 hours in temperatures below 45 degrees, Powell said.

Gardeners not concerned with fruit — only with beauty — should plant an apricot tree, he suggested.

"Apricots will bloom early and lose their fruit to late freezes, but they are certainly a beautiful sight to behold," Powell said.

Persimmon is another decorative tree, that will live a long life, he added.

Small fruit plants, such as blackberries, figs, grapes and strawberries, have some advantages over the larger fruit trees. Powell noted.

These small plants bloom at an early age, facilitate insect and disease control, are more consistent in cropping, are more easily propagated and established, and require less space.

Moreover, almost all of the small fruit plants are self-fruitful, and will bear fruit when planted alone, he said.

Blackberries will begin bearing fruit 15 months after planting, and will yield a gallon of berries per plant each season, Powell said.

Fig plants, which yield 1-3 bushels each season, will begin bearing fruit 18 months after planting, he added.

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hulls, and some others may well be used as a surface mulch in the garden.

It is not advisable to use them in early spring when the soil is cold as these materials maintain a cool soil temperature that slows the growth to most plants.

Irish potatoes are the exception as they like a cool soil. However, it best to delay the mulching of potatoes until the soil temperature has warmed to about 60 degrees at a 4 to 6 inch depth or until the plants are 8 to 10 inches tall.

A layer of mulch 4 to 5 inches thick will control most weeds, maintain cool soil temperature, and minimize soil moisture loss for potato production.

Most vegetables for spring and early summer production are best mulched with black plastic or plastic coated black paper. The plastic coated paper mulch has the advantage of being biodegradable and need not be removed.

The heavy black plastic of 4 to 6 mil thickness may, however, be reused from season to season if care is used in its removal. The thin plastic of 1½ to 1½ mil thickness can be used only one time.

**DO NOT MULCH** with black plastic or black paper mulch after day temperatures average above 85 degrees or usually after the middle of May.

Add successive layers in the same until the pile is about four feet high. When completed, the pile should be straight sided and flat to saucer shaped on top.

A little fertile soil added to each layer hastens the microbial activity or a commercial composting material will prevent good growth of most plants.

In the absence of rain moderate watering is desirable to keep the pile moist. With warm weather as little as 7 to 10 weeks is sufficient to obtain the desired degree of decomposition. For the strictly organic gardener ½ pound of blood meal or hoof and horn meal and ½ pound of rock meal.

Do plant residues when used as mulch cause nitrogen deficiency in the plants? They can if the soil is low in nitrogen and the mulches are from non-leguminous plant material or have not been composted first.

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soybean meal, or tankage per 100 square feet may be substituted for the ammonium nitrate.

Many gardeners prefer to use organic fertilizers and natural minerals which have not been altered. Most plant nutrients in the animal products and the plant products, such as cottonseed meal are unavailable to plants until the microorganisms in the soil decompose the material and mineralize the nutrients.

Plants in general are able to utilize the simple nutrient ions. Whether the nutrients are added as organic, natural minerals, or commercial fertilizers, the nutrients are the same when they are absorbed by the plant roots.

**ROCK PHOSPHATE** is a natural product containing about 30 percent phosphate and 3 to 4 percent fluorine. Organic gardeners generally disagree with fluorination of public water supplies, but approve of the use of rock phosphate with fluorine.

Commercial superphosphate has the fluorine removed. Rock phosphate is very insoluble in water, but is attacked by the humic and carboxylic acids in soil so that it slowly becomes available to plants.

Legumes (beans and peas) have the ability to utilize more of the phosphate from rock phosphate than do other plants.

Rock phosphate might better be added to the compost pile than directly to the soil. In this way some of the phosphorus will be converted to the available form during the composting process.

The natural potassium minerals are green sand (4-9 percent), ground granite (8-10 percent), and manure salts (20-30 percent). An organic source of potash is kelp (seaweed).

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mulch, the potassium in the plant residues is soluble and may be supplied in sufficient quantity for the needs of garden plants.

## 55 mph credited for safer 1974

Though final figures won't be available until late March, it appears that 1974 was the safest year on Texas streets and highways in a decade. And if the traffic death rate per 100 million miles is compared with prior years, 1974 was the safest year on record.

Colonel Wilson E. Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said he believes the 1974 traffic toll will reach 3,042 when all reports are received. If so, this will be a saving of 650 lives from the record 3,692 lives lost in 1973. The latest comparable death toll was 1964 when 3,006 persons were killed in Texas traffic.

Of the 3,042 deaths, it is estimated that the final rural total will be 1,817, with 1,225 traffic fatalities estimated to have occurred in incorporated cities. Rural deaths decreased about 19.2 per cent from 1973 totals, while those in cities are down approximately 15.1 per cent.

Speir said the death rate per 100 million vehicle miles, which is the nationally accepted criteria of traffic safety effectiveness, is forecast to be 3.9. Last year it was 4.6, with these

numbers comparing to 14.6 when the DPS first began tabulating traffic statistics in 1937.

The DPS director said total vehicle traffic accidents during 1974 were down more than six per cent from 1973. The latter year saw 464,226 collisions compared to an estimated 432,100 in 1974.

"In normal times, we might have expected increases in both accidents and deaths during 1974," Speir said. He noted that both licensed drivers and registered vehicles rose last year — the drivers reaching almost 7.5 million and vehicles about 8.3 million.

The question, then, is what actually happened to cause the dramatic reduction and Speir believes the answer lies in factors associated with the energy crisis.

It appears that vehicle miles driven declined from 80.6 billion in 1973 to just over 78 billion in 1974. This reduction in driving, coupled with the reduced speed limit, especially on rural highways, seems to have made most of the difference," Speir said.

But he also attributed credit

to improvements in vehicles and highways, beefed up enforcement, and increased public awareness generated by both governmental and private efforts.

On the subject of enforcement, the DPS chief pointed out that Highway Patrol troopers last year issued a record 678,664 speeding citations — an increase of 121 per cent from the 306,668 in 1973. Moreover, the 1974 speeding arrests alone exceeded total Highway Patrol arrests for all violations in 1973.

Total arrests for all violations in 1974 exceeded 950,000.

Speir cautioned that an increasing disregard for the 55 mile speed limit, as evidenced by the arrest figures, may cause deaths to rise once more in 1975. He pointed out that the largest reductions in total fatal accidents during 1974 came early in the year when there was better voluntary compliance with the speed law.

He noted that Department of Public Safety statisticians are conducting an in-depth study of the 1974 traffic accident reports and said this information would be used to "fine tune" enforcement.

ment activities in the year ahead.

### 47 hunting cases net \$6000 in fines

Forty-seven cases of hunting violations were filed during December by Williamson County's two game wardens, Mike Hutchison and Jim Lorenz.

The 47 cases netted \$6000 in fines.

In one incident, two Austin hunters were fined \$1644 for killing six deer at night.

Ground all electric appliances except the ones with exposed heating elements — like toasters.

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Colorful exercise clothes are being sold in hosiery departments for the body-conscious, physically fit female. Fashionable tights and leotards "give" with the action of the wearer to conform to any body contortion.

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"The Rasco family has blessed many people with their radio programs and will inspire all who will attend," she added.

The church is located on the east side of 183 across from Leander Cafe.

### Local office for H&R Block set in G'town

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residential rate.

Joe McMaster, city attorney, said the council will confine its discussion of the phone company's suit against the city to closed session.

The council is also slated to consider an increase in February's retail electric rates

to meet the escalating fuel adjustment surcharge on the city's wholesale electric bill last month.

In December, a \$6.65 adjustment above the wholesale base rate for 1000 kilowatts from the Lower Colorado River Authority spelled a 50 percent surcharge to retail electric bills.

Tom Sams, the city building official and the official representative in securing disaster relief funds, will ask the council to advertise for bids for new hangars at the Georgetown Municipal Airport.

The city lost two hangars spanning 12,000 square feet when a tornado whipped Georgetown, October 30.

The federal government will reimburse the city in rebuilding the facilities.

Sams will suggest that the city advertise for two pre-engineered metal aircraft

## WALBURG NEWS

BY KATHY NELSON

team and a senior boys' team.

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The Zion Dragons and Dragonettes have a basketball game scheduled with Salado on Thursday, January 9, beginning at 6 p.m. in the Zion gym. The girls' game will be first followed by the boys' game.

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The Zion PTL will meet Thursday, January 9 at 7:30 p.m.

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The Annual Meeting of St. Peter Lutheran Church will be held Sunday, January 12, at 2 p.m. All members are urged to be present.

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The Couples of St. Peter Lutheran will have a games night on Saturday, January 11, at 7 p.m. New members are always welcome!

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There will be no school at Zion on Monday and Tuesday, January 13-14. The teachers will be attending a conference in Waco.

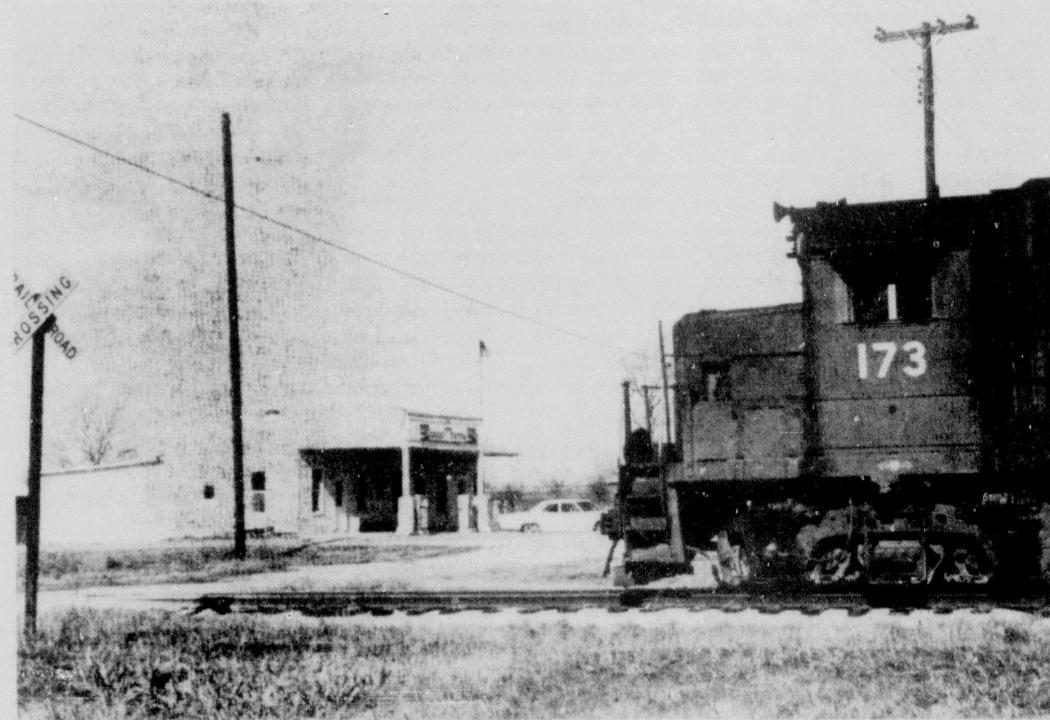
### GET RESULTS

Use the classified to sell unwanted items, find a job, or hire a worker. Call 863-6555.

## Weir, Texas — 120 people with roots in the ground



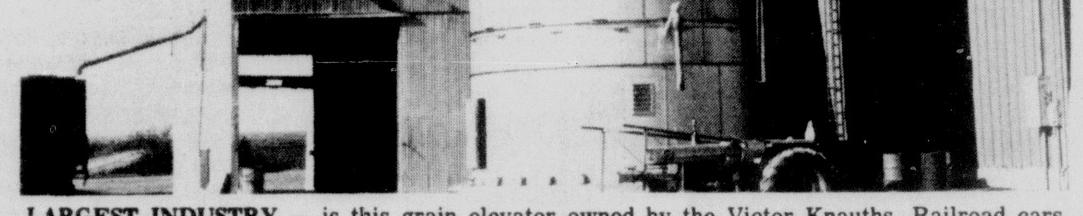
HALF OF THE BUSINESSES — are in this one building. Housed here are the Arco station, the only grocery store, and the post office. Other businesses include the Mobil station, the grain elevator, and Dario's Welding Shop.



SUPPLEMENTED BY THE RAILROAD — Weir is split by the tracks that run along FM. 971.



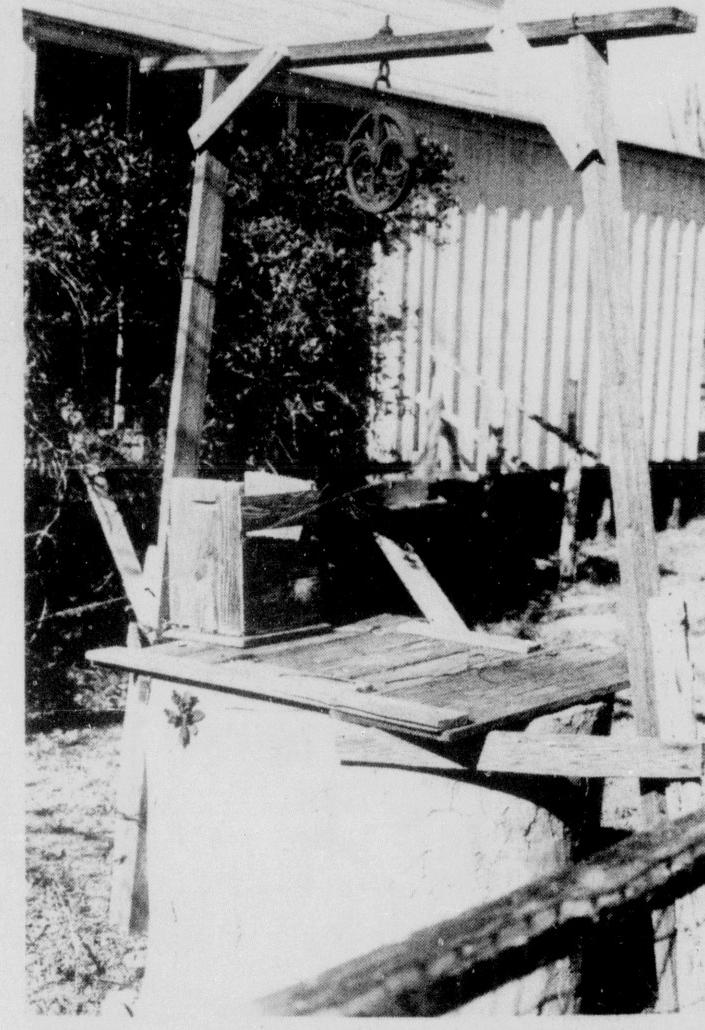
PICTURESQUE VIEWS such as this old barn and surroundings south of Weir on Fm. 971 just wait for an artist's brush.



LARGEST INDUSTRY — is this grain elevator owned by the Victor Knauths. Railroad cars transport grain produced by area farmers. Maize remains the primary grain, and farmers are presently getting their land ready for cultivation.



THE OLD WALBURG DRUGSTORE — Only area people will remember this store, for it was moved to its present location at the Clarence Leise farm a number of years ago.



OLD WELL — sits behind a house owned by Lena King, who now resides in the Sweetbriar Nursing Home.